

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

January 26, 1999

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RE: N

MUR 4876

Ramon Desage

Cadeau Express, Inc.

Dear Mr. Wright:

This matter was referred to the Federal Election Commission by the United States Department of Justice. Pursuant to the plea agreements entered into by your clients, Ramon Desage and Cadeau Express, Inc., they have agreed to submit to the Federal Election Commission's jurisdiction with regard to certain campaign contributions made in 1995. Under the terms of the plea agreements, your clients have each agreed to enter into a conciliation agreement and pay a \$10,000 civil penalty to the Federal Election Commission in connection with the violations.

Based upon the information contained in the plea agreements, on January 21, 1999, the Federal Election Commission found that there is reason to believe Ramon Desage knowingly and willfully violated 2 U.S.C. §§ 441b(a) and 441f, and that Cadeau Express, Inc. knowingly and willfully violated 2 U.S.C. §§ 441b(a) and 441f, provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"). Enclosed is a copy of the General Counsel's Memorandum which formed a basis for the Commission's findings.

In order to expedite the resolution of this matter, enclosed are two conciliation agreements offered in settlement of this matter prior to a finding of probable cause to believe. You should respond to this notification within ten days.

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This matter will remain confidential in accordance with 2 U.S.C. §§ 437g(a)(4)(B) and 437g(a)(12)(A), unless you notify the Commission in writing that you wish the investigation to be made public.

For your information, attached is a brief description of the Commission's procedures for handling possible violations of the Act. If you have any questions, please contact Maura Callaway, Special Assistant, at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

Scott E. Thomas

Chairman

Enclosures
Procedures
Conciliation Agreements
Memorandum